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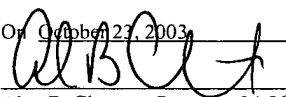
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<u>Document Designation</u>	<u>Relevance</u>
AA (U.S. 2,018,619)	Relates to Apparatus for Pyrogenic Conversion of Hydrocarbons.
AB (U.S. 3,407,789)	Relates to Heating Apparatus and Process.
AC (U.S. 3,671,198)	Relates to Cracking Furnace Having Thin Straight Single Pass Reaction Tubes.
AD (U.S. 4,342,642)	Relates to Steam Pyrolysis of Hydrocarbons.
AE (U.S. 4,499,055)	Relates to Furnace Having Bent/Single-Pass Tubes.
AF (U.S. 5,427,655)	Relates to High Capacity Rapid Quench Boiler.
AG (U.S. 5,589,428)	Relates to Silicon Carbide with Controlled Porosity.
AH (U.S. 5,616,426)	Relates to Ceramic Substrate with Silicon Carbide Smoothing Layer.
AI (U.S. 5,635,430)	Relates to Intermediate for Producing Porous Silicon Carbide.
AJ (U.S. 5,813,845)	Relates to Curved Silicon-Carbide Based Burner Nozzle for Use with Gaseous Fuel Flames.

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BA (EP 1,018,563 A1)

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Copies of all these documents or English abstracts thereof are enclosed herewith. It is respectfully requested that this art be considered by the Examiner in the above-identified application and made of record therein.

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